

MINUTES

UTAH BOARD OF NURSING

May 23, 2008

**Room 474 – 4th Floor – 8:00 a.m.
Heber Wells Building
Salt Lake City, UT 84111**

CONVENED: 8:10

ADJOURNED: 5:00 p.m.

**Bureau Manager:
Secretary:**

Laura Poe
Shirlene Kimball

Division Staff:

Susan Higgs, Compliance Coordinator

Conducting:

Pam Rice

Board Members Present:

Mary Williams
Pam Rice
Debra Schilleman
Susan Kirby
Barbara Jeffries
John Killpack

Board Members Excused:

Diane Forster-Burke
Joel Allred
Marie Partridge
Laurie Simonsen
Peggy Brown

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

April 25, 2008 minutes:

Approved with corrections. All Board members in favor.

Ms. Poe presented a follow-up on Rhandi Robertson. Ms. Robertson met with the Committee last month and had indicated she had not relapsed. After the meeting, Ms. Robertson contacted the Division and indicated she had relapsed by drinking cough syrup. Her license is currently suspended and Ms. Poe stated the Division will not take further action at this time. The Division

will continue to monitor her closely.

NEW BUSINESS:

Laura Poe and Susan Higgs
Compliance Report:

Ms. Poe indicated the compliance report is provided in written form this month.

Karen Chlarson: In a review of the minutes from last month it was noted that Ms. Chlarson questioned whether or not an online 12-step program would be appropriate for her since it was recommend by her therapist. Ms. Higgs indicated the online 12-step program is available 24 hours a day and the individual can log on at anytime. She indicated she has received positive feedback regarding the online meeting, however, there is no way to monitor or obtain signatures of logging into the discussions. Ms. Jeffries stated she agrees online meetings can be helpful, especially in the night, but the individual does not receive the same type of support online as face to face meetings. She indicated non verbal cues are very important and it is easier to let things slide if not meeting face to face. Ms. Jeffries stated she believes online meetings would be a great supplement to attending face to face meetings, but should not be accepted for her support group meeting requirements.

Desirae Larson has had a change of supervisors and the supervisor was not aware he/she needed to submit reports. Ms. Poe indicated the Division will let Ms. Larson know she needs to make sure the supervisor is aware of the requirements and submits the reports.

Determine Delegates for the NCSBN Annual Meeting:

Ms. Poe was nominated as a delegate to the NCSBN Annual meeting. The meeting will be held August 4-8, 2008 in Nashville. Ms. Schilleman will attend the meeting; however she may not be reappointed to the Board by that day and would not be able to be a voting delegate. Board members indicated if she is reappointed, she would be a voting delegate.

Proposed Rules Changes:

Ms. Poe discussed the Medication aide Rule. In R156-31b-801(4)(b) the proposed rules indicate that a MA-C shall not destroy medications. Ms. Poe indicated that when this rule was proposed, the focus was on controlled substance medications. Ms. Poe stated there are medications other than controlled substances

that need to be considered. She questioned what would happen if a pill is dropped. The MA-C curriculum addresses the destroying of medications and Board members indicated that the MA-C should be allowed to destroy non controlled substance medications. The MA-C can only count controlled substance medications if assisted by a nurse or another MA-C. Ms. Poe indicated she will add to the Rule that the MA-C can destroy medications according to facility policy. However, the MA-C can not destroy the medication unless accompanied by another MA-C or nurse.

Dr. Williams made a Motion to move forward with the MA-C Rules. Mr. Killpack seconded the Motion. All Board members in favor.

Availability of Aftercare:

Ms. Poe stated that several of the substance abuse treatment programs no longer offer two years of aftercare. Our Orders require two years of aftercare and Ms. Poe questioned the Board if this should be changed. Ms. Poe indicated that studies have shown that there is a better chance of recovery if the individual completes two years of aftercare. She reported there are programs that offer two year aftercare programs and the individual would have to seek those programs after they have completed the one year. Board members indicated they would like to keep the aftercare requirement at two years.

Terryl Dale Hullinger,
Request to work in an agency:

Ms. Jeffries indicated Mr. Hullinger met with the Board in April and he was out of compliance with his Order. He assured the Board he would be in 100% compliance and would meet with the Board again in three months. He is now submitting a request for modification; however, he is continuing with a pattern of non compliance. Ms. Jeffries made a Motion to deny the request based on a pattern of non compliance. The non compliance includes accepting a nursing position at an agency when the Order does not allow him to work at an agency, and where there is no direct supervision available. The Motion was seconded. All Board members in favor.

Jennifer Eva,
Reconsider request to allow her to work in a

Ms. Poe indicated Summit Home Health agency has created an office position for Ms. Eva. She will work

home health agency:

only in the office and not go into homes. Mr. Killpack made a Motion to allow Ms. Eva to work at Summit Home Health as a supervised employee in the office and not be allowed to go into the home or to have physical contact with a patient. Ms. Kirby seconded the Motion. All Board members in favor.

Todd Gardner,
Request for early termination of probation:

Mr. Gardner completed his RN program and will be sitting for the NCLEX examination. His LPN license has been on probation for two years based on a DUI and action in Nevada. He has indicated he does not see how a DUI was work related as a nurse, but has been clean 38 months. He resides in Kanab and takes care of his mother in Fredonia AZ. Dr. Williams made a Motion that upon passing the NCLEX-RN exam, the probation on his PN license be terminated and the RN license be issued as a single state license without probation. Later he could request the compact license if he submits documentation of residency. Ms. Jeffries seconded the Motion. All Board members in favor.

Mark Gunty,
Request for early termination of probation:

Ms. Jeffries made a Motion to terminate probation. Ms. Schilleman seconded the motion. All Board members in favor.

Kaylynn Thompson,
Request for termination of suspension: :

Ms. Schilleman made a Motion to deny the request for termination of suspension based on missing urine screen, not submitting copies of prescriptions and non-compliance to the terms of the suspension. Concern was expressed that she is not actively working a recovery program. Dr. Williams seconded the Motion.

Adjourned to Hearing at 9:00 a.m.
Steven Booth: Hearing

The Hearing was held.

Note: These minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcript but are intended to record the significant features of the business conducted in this meeting. Discussed items are not necessarily shown in the chronological order they occurred.

June 27, 2008
Date Approved

(ss) Pam Rice
Pam Rice, Acting Chair, Board of Nursing

June 27, 2008
Date Approved

(ss) Laura Poe
Laura Poe, Bureau Manager, Division of Occupational & Professional Licensing